

**CHAPTER NO. 213**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1850**

**By Representatives McKee, McDaniel**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1771**

**By Senators Fowler, Atchley**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41, relative to the transfer of offenders to and from foreign jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the United States of America and Canada have entered into a treaty on the exchange of offenders; and

WHEREAS, such treaty has been in force since July 19, 1978; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee must enact enabling legislation to participate in the treaty; now therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 41, is amended by adding the following language as a new chapter:

When a treaty is in effect between the United States of America and a foreign country providing for the transfer of convicted criminal offenders who are citizens or nationals of foreign countries to those foreign countries of which they are citizens or nationals, the Governor or the Governor's designee is authorized, subject to the terms of the treaty, to act on behalf of the State of Tennessee and to consent to the transfer of such convicted criminal felons. The Governor or his designee is authorized to develop policies, procedures and process to carry out the mandates of this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 12, 1999

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 19th day of May 1999

  
DON SINKQUIST, GOVERNOR